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1. While en route to Murmansk in early April 1954 [redacted] ship was passed by several Soviet naval vessels, including submarines in the open sea off Port Vladimir (N 69-25, E 33-06). One of the vessels was a warship of between 10,000 to 20,000 DWT; [redacted] it was much larger than a 10,000-ton cargo vessel. The ship passed at a distance of about three nautical miles and at a speed of about 15 knots. The vessel had two stacks, and gun turrets fore and aft; [redacted] it was the CHAPAYEV.
2. [redacted] two submarines which passed the ship at a distance of two nautical miles. The submarines followed one another at an oblique angle, approximately 500 meters apart. Aft of the second submarine there was a Soviet destroyer. Between Port Vladimir and Murmansk [redacted] several radar antennas or installations.
3. On the most northerly point of Yeryetik Island (N 69-25, E 33-10), [redacted] several gravel mounds or rock piles which had been excavated from the mountain. The mounds or piles were approximately 60 meters above sea level. Above the mounds there was a molded foundation, resembling the roof of a bunker. On top of this foundation there was a mast, several meters high, with a radar screen. A simple and somewhat higher mast was located on one side of the foundation. A similar installation was observed at both Medvezhiy Point (N 69-26, E 33-18) and Pogan Point (N 69-25, E 33-26). A signal station was also located on Pogan Point, as well as on Set Navolok (N 69-24, E 33-30), Salnyy Island (N 69-08, E 33-26), and Bolshoy Oleniy Island (N 69-13, E 33-29).
4. [redacted] many naval vessels of various sizes, none larger than destroyers, in Roslyakova Bay (N 69-03, E 33-11), Chelmpuska Bay (N 69-03, E 33-14), Gryaznaya Bay (N 69-04, E 33-16), Varlamova Bay (N 69-04, E 33-22), and Vayenga Bay (N 69-05, E 33-26). A short distance south of Bazisnyy Point (N 69-01, E 33-04), there was a floating drydock, in which there was a corvette or similar vessel.

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5. When the ship was leaving the Kola Inlet [redacted] two large naval vessels of battleship size (sic) close to the coast on the east side of the inlet at N 69-00-40. [redacted] each vessel [redacted] about the size of a 30,000-ton cargo vessel. Both ships were painted with red lead with a white stripe at the waterline. They had the deck line and stacks of the KIROV, but the superstructure outline of the NOVOROSIYSK. [redacted] in many respects the ships were similar to the NOVOROSIYSK except for the location of the stacks. The ships were equipped with many guns [redacted] There were several large frigates in the same area as the two large naval vessels. As [redacted] ship left the Kola Inlet, a destroyer was observed proceeding eastward at a great distance.

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